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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 25, 2006**

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the final Office Action dated August 25, 2006. A listing of claims begins on page 2, and remarks begin on page 5.